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nerization Catalyst Systems § 1. Their use § RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 35 CFR 1.111

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Referring to the teleconference between the Examiner and applicant's attorneys on January 4, 2001, this is a response to the United States Patent and Trademark Office Action mailed October 24, 2000.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims

- A process for polymerizing ethylene and one or more alpha-10. (four times amended) olefin(s) comonomer in the presence of a catalyst system comprising a hafnium metallocene catalyst compound having at least one ligand substituted with at least one linear or iso alkyl group having from 3 to 10 carbon atoms, and an activator.
- 16. (once amended) The process in accordance with claim 10 wherein the one or more alphaolefin(s) comonomer contains [are alpha-olefins having] from 2 to 12 carbon atoms.
- 17. (once amended) The process in accordance with claim 10 wherein the [olefin(s) are ethylene in combination with] one or more [other] alpha-olefins comonomer contains [having] from 3 to 10 carbon atoms.